Year	No. of Bangladeshi nationals visited India on valid documents	No. of Bangladeshi nationals who over stayed
2005	4,85,640	12,338
2006	4,84,401	24,497
2007	5,00,234	25,712

Foreign countries offering help after Mumbai attack

343. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the wake of terrorist attack since 26th November, 2008 in Mumbai, Government of several friendly countries offered help for combating the terrorists and, subsequently, in the ongoing investigations;

(b) if so, the details of the nature of help offered and identity of the countries offering the same; and

(c) the response of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) As per the information made available by Interpol Wing of CBI, the help offered by some of the foreign countries like Italy, Uzbekistan, Jordan, Brunei and Egypt in the wake of terrorist attack on 26.11.2008 in Mumbai was general in nature and mostly related to enquiry about their nationals suspected to be trapped in the incident.

Protection of human rights of minorities

344. SHRI SABIR ALI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any mechanism has been put in place for protection of human rights of minorities;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of violations of human rights of minorities received during the last two years and this year and action taken thereon;

(d) the details of suggestions received from different quarters in this regard; and

(e) the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) and (b) The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) and State Human Rights Commissions have been set up under the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993 for the protection of human rights including that of minorities. However, to look into various problems of minorities as also facilitating their rights, National Commission for Minorities has also been set up.